to Travancore? Is there any proposal for the diversion of the Chalakkudi river to Travancore ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Yes, the Travancore Government have proposed so. They put the proposition that they would like to divert the water of the Chalakkudi river.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will that in any way affect the waters coming for the use of those living in plains ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The question of rights has got to be settled before utilising the water. These questions are now being gone into. While that is so, I cannot answer anything now.

The resolution was, therefore, considered withdrawn.

(9) Committee of enquiry for Co-operative Department.

President.—The next resolution is in the name of Mr. C. V. Kuriyan.

Mr. C. V. Kuriyan.—I do not move it.

As the following resolution was not moved it was considered withdrawn:—

"That in view of the numerous allegations made in the Press and especially in the open letter published by certain non-officials including the President of the Central Co-operative Bank this Council recommends to the Government that a mixed committee of officials and non-officials be appointed without delay to enquire into the working of the Co-operative Department."

(10) Hoarded Revenue of the State.

President.—The next is Mr. Thomas Manjuran's resolution.

The following resolution was not moved and hence considered withdrawn.

Mr. Thomas Manjuran. — "This Council recommends that at least half the hoarded revenue of the State, hoarded during the last five years, be utilised for the more important public needs such as new hospitals and dispenaries, making of new roads and satisfactory maintenance of existing ones, development of irrigation facilities, opening better facilities for efficient sanitation, development of industries, etc., etc. This Council also recommends that whenever reproductive works of a commercial nature are undertaken by the Government, they should be mainly financed by earmarked loans raised for the purpose and not by the revenues of the State, hoarded or current."

(11) Economic Depression.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Sir, I move "that this Council recommends to the Government to appoint a small committee to investigate and report immediately the causes and the extent of the present economic depression in the country and to suggest remedial measures."

That there is a great economic depression throughtout the country admits of no doubt and requires no speech from me. I think every Member is aware that we are passing through a very serious economic depression and there is nobody who has

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